

NEW JERSEY STATE

HER FIRE FROM START TO FINISH.

Mrs. Roy, of Morristown, Set It Going by Breaking a Lamp in Her Cellar.

SAVED HER THREE BABIES.

Faced Smoke and Flame Again to Save Heirlooms and Had to Jump from a Window.

FIREMEN'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Two Fell with the Second Floor and Landed in the Flooded Cellar, Whence Their Comrades Rescued Them.

Mrs. H. C. Roy, wife of a leading druggist in Morristown, N. J., had a series of thrilling experiences during the fire that burned her home on Western avenue, in that city, Saturday night.

In the first place, Mrs. Roy started the fire. By her physician's advice she drinks a bottle of ale every night. She forgot it Saturday night until after she had prepared for bed. Then, arrayed in her night gown, with a lighted lamp in hand, she went down to the cellar to get a bottle. In the cellar she stumbled on a plank and fell. The lamp broke and the oil took fire. The flames set fire to her garment and her leg was severely burned before she extinguished them.

James E. Voorhees, a neighbor, alarmed by her screams, broke open the cellar door and began to fight the flames. Mrs. Roy meanwhile ran upstairs through the smoke that filled the hallways, and rescued her three sleeping children and the servant girl, carrying the children out in her arms.

Then, while the fire department, for a cause it could not control, was vainly trying to save the building, Mrs. Roy dashed back into the house and groped her way through the smoke and flames. She had determined to throw out her valuables and save some cherished heirlooms. She had been left by her husband, and she had determined that she would not leave her home without them. She found the stairs on fire.

The second story window through which she had thrown the heirlooms presented the only means of safety. She leaped from the window. Assistant United States District Attorney Thomas O'Brien caught her. She was badly injured, but she was saved. The Morristown firemen were promptly called to the scene with two engines ready to go. But as there is only a three-inch hose in Morristown, there was not much water for one. The house burned down while the entire department stood by and helplessly looked at the one tiny stream playing upon the flames. Chief rags as he viewed the conflagration.

Firemen Joseph Ambrose and Joseph Bonifacio had a narrow escape from death. They were on the second story when the fire fell and they landed in the cellar. It was full of water, and they swam around until they were rescued. The house and its contents were worth \$10,000, and were insured for \$25,000.

REV. DR. CARSON'S FAREWELL.

Pastor of Brick Presbyterian Church, East Orange, Seeks a New Field.

Rev. Dr. Alexander N. Carson will leave the Brick Presbyterian Church, East Orange, July 1, and only the church officials seem to know whether he resigned voluntarily or otherwise. There is a division in the church, a part of the congregation believing that the pastor has been ill-treated.

Dr. Carson went to East Orange October 1896, from the Central Presbyterian Church of Erie, Pa. He is a good preacher, but did not make a strong impression on the East Orange congregation, and dissatisfaction with his services began to be expressed. He was a member of the Orange Athletic Club, and some held that he took too prominent a part in all sorts of sports. The factional feeling was not quite "up to date" in appearance.

It was said yesterday that Dr. Carson had been asked to leave the church, but that the church had volunteered to relieve him of the contract. At the Easter service yesterday morning, Dr. Carson preached his last official sermon in the church. He has been granted a three months' leave of absence in which to secure another charge.

Eighty-Year-Old Woman Run Over.

Mrs. Margaret Burns, about eighty years old, of No. 178 Essex avenue, Orange, N. J., on Saturday night was crossing the street near her home when she was run over by a vehicle driven by J. A. Brown, of Montclair. She was carried several feet by the impact, and her face badly cut and bruised. Brown was taken to the police station, but was released on a promise to appear in court.

Orange Club Smoker and Dinner.

The spacious rooms in the Orange Club, located on Prospect street, East Orange, were aglow Saturday night. Upward of 300 members and their friends were present to enjoy an excellent repast and to witness a musical concert arranged by the House Committee.

The members of the club are principally wealthy New York business men. A feature of the performance was a series of viaticque pictures shown by W. E. Gilmore, manager of Thomas A. Edison's laboratory at West Orange. A course dinner followed the entertainment.

Ladies to Give Concert in Glen Ridge.

The Ladies' Vocal Club, of Glen Ridge, N. J., will give its second concert of the season in the Congregational Church to-morrow night and will be assisted by the Cecilia Male Quartet of New York. Mrs. Steadman Jones, harpist; Miss Grace Dunn, pianist; and Miss Mary K. Plimney, vocalist. The concert will be given under the direction of Professor J. Appleton Wade.

It Was Play Crap or Be Shot.

Policemen Avery and Baylis, of the Bloomfield (N. J.) Police Force, arrested William Howard at midnight Saturday for pulling a revolver on Pleasant Harris and threatening to blow his brains out because he refused to play cards with Howard. Harris ran out of Dodd's stable, where the game was in progress, and notified the police. Police Judge Hall fined Howard \$5 yesterday morning.

Steering Passenger Ship Inland.

Frederico Perodotto, a stevedore passenger on the steamship Werra, of the Bremen Line, went suddenly insane Saturday afternoon just before the vessel sailed. He created intense excitement by shouting and running wildly among the other passengers. Finally he was secured and will be taken to Genoa, whether he was bound. He came from Chicago.

GAVE DOG A BAD NAME.

Owner Fined Because Animal Bit a Man, Punctured a Tire and Tread a Lamplighter.

A very amusing trial over a setter dog took place in the police court, Montclair, N. J., Saturday afternoon. Lawrence Vanderhoof, the owner of the dog, had been charged by W. E. Sigler, of Montclair Heights, with keeping a vicious dog and violating a town ordinance, which prevents the running of dogs at large. "Kally," as the dog is called, bit Sigler a few days ago and bit him in the leg and tore his clothing.

When Recorder Ames formally read the charge to Vanderhoof, the latter denied it. Sigler then produced a number of witnesses to prove the animal was accustomed to run at large, among them Harry Stages, a bicyclist who told the court that the dog had chased him one day while on his bicycle and punctured the tire of the year wheel by planting its teeth in it.

John Jones, who lives on the same street, swore that Kally chased him up one of the gas lamps one night and kept him there for five hours. Jones declared that he nearly lost his life, but after getting the lamps turned out in time.

Recorder Ames declared that Vanderhoof had violated the town ordinance, and fined him \$5 and costs.

DISRUPTS LINCOLN CLUB.

Republican Revolt in Bloomfield May Result in the Crack Organization's Disbandment.

The Republicans in the Third Ward of Bloomfield, N. J., are in a state of disruption and the crack Lincoln Club, which has been a power in politics for some time, may be disbanded as a result of some of their members working and voting against the regular Republican nominee, Noah Hampson, for the Township Committee.

Thomas Albionson, the free silver Democrat, who was elected, and the leaders of the Republican ranks are after the scalps of the anti-Hampson ones. Five of the prominent members of the Lincoln Club, it is known, led the revolt against Hampson, and every effort will be made at the next meeting to bring down their heads into the basket, together with several others who helped defeat Hampson.

In the event of dismissal taking place the anti-Hampson men declare they will at once organize an independent club. Hampson is very sore over his defeat, and declares he will have revenge on the treacherous ones.

The fight again Hampson, it is claimed, is due to his inexperience in public affairs and not being a resident of the town long enough to be entitled to such an important post. On the other hand, the Democrats are happy over his defeat, and the Republican ranks, and expect in the future to claim the Third Ward as Democratic.

Thomas Albionson, the new committee-man, will take his seat to-night, and will be the first Democrat that has been in the committee in many years.

PULLED THE COURT'S NOSE.

Gracien Resented the Justice's Refusal to Wed Him When Intoxicated.

Justice Levy, of Paterson, N. J., is a very badly bruised magistrate, and is very anxious to meet again this time with legal weapons—the man who caused his discomfiture.

Martin Gracien, of Midland Park, and William Moore were at a dance hall on Saturday night in Paterson. Gracien paid such marked attention to Marie Grich that they were married; another said that they were married, but that they were not. Gracien would not take a dare; Gracien protested that she was safe with him.

The pair, with a bench for a bed, fled. William Moore called vainly for order. Gracien wrestled the Court to the head of the stairs, where he punched it. The nose broke, they toppled down the steps together. Before Levy could secure a policeman Moore had dragged Gracien away. Justice Levy has issued a warrant for his arrest.

DECISION AFFECTS PATERSON.

Governor Griggs Fears That City's Street Improvement Law is Unconstitutional.

In an interview on Saturday Governor Griggs expressed grave doubts as to the constitutionality of the new law intended to give the Aldermen of Paterson the power to spend \$100,000 for permanent street improvements.

The law, he said, "applies to cities of the second class, and a certain number of the inhabitants are intended to apply to Paterson only. Now, if the Supreme Court is right in its decision in the Newark and Jersey City election cases, the new law is unconstitutional. I do not intend to sign it. At any rate, it may not matter a great deal. From a cursory examination it is my impression that it has been passed to limit the expenditure to \$10,000 for ten years instead of \$100,000 as intended by the Aldermen. I have been too busy to look into it."

Dillon Forgives His Assault.

After a noisy chase through swamps and woodlands, Paterson Avery early yesterday morning arrested Antonio Boranda for assaulting Thomas Dillon, an old citizen of Bloomfield, N. J. The Italian and Dillon had got into an argument when Dillon was struck on the head with a club and knocked senseless to the ground. Policeman Avery captured Boranda at the pistol point, although he had been injured about the head and face, would not make a charge against his assailant.

Pilowski Accuses Kanoski.

Sandy Pilowski caused the arrest Saturday night of Joseph Kanoski for striking him on the head with a stone, knocking him down and setting him on fire. Pilowski, who is a Polish immigrant, was charged with the assault in a saloon with Pilowski, and when the latter started home he was followed by Kanoski. Police Station Hall held Kanoski for the Grand Jury.

Found the Cook Dead in Bed.

Mrs. Caton L. Decker, of No. 417 William street, East Orange, N. J., not hearing the breakfast bell sound at the usual time yesterday morning, became suspicious that something was wrong, dressed and went down to the kitchen. No one was there, and a minute later the cook, Annie Bennett, thirty years old, was found dead in her bed. She had succumbed to heart disease.

Called, Though Not Yet Ordained.

William Trumbull Holmes, son of William B. Holmes, of Montclair, N. J., has received a call as assistant to Rev. E. C. Moore, pastor of the Central Congregational Church, of Providence, R. I. Mr. Holmes will graduate from the Andover Theological Seminary in June and will be ordained in the First Congregational Church, Montclair, on June 23.

SHERIFF STOPS A SHOW.

Attaches the Irwin Brothers' Property at the Bijou Theatre, Paterson, During the Performance.

Patrons of the Bijou Theatre, Paterson, saw a new and unexpected performance on Saturday night, when Sheriff William A. Hopson in the stellar role, Constable John Rander as his understudy, and Lawyers John Johnson and James Feeney as a dialogue team. As a result of the innovation, made entirely without the consent of the management, but by the strong power of the law, the female members of the Irwin Brothers' Burlesque and Specialty Company came near to having to go home in their theatrical costumes.

When Sheriff Hopson Saturday night invaded the stage with an attachment the gay burlesquers greeted him with smiles, but these were changed to frowns when he proceeded to put the seals upon all their possessions. Manager Fred Irwin was hastily summoned and ran down the curtain to see what was the matter. Hopson was pointing before his arrival. "Put on your clothes," he cried. "The Sheriff has your money and I won't pay a cent if the show is to go on."

"The horrid thing has my clothes locked up," cried a stately blonde, "and how am I to answer the show?"

Sheriff Hopson explained that he would strain a point to provide an emergency wardrobe, and manager Irwin hastened to answer the show. He explained that he had given a note for \$200.75 to Solly Cushman and Herbert Holcomb, members of his troupe, but had afterward sold the show with the understanding that the new proprietor was to assume all liabilities.

"Now," cried Irwin, "they have attached the money you paid to see the show. It's all right, but the show will not go on. At the door you will be given tickets and you can cash them with Sheriff Hopson."

There was a wild howl of disapproval, and the audience demanded that the Sheriff appear.

Finally a compromise was reached. The curtain was raised and the show went on.

WILL LOSE HER PRIZE.

Vacancy in Englewood's Board of Education, to Which Miss Sterling Was Elected, Does Not Exist.

Mayor D. A. Currie, of Englewood, who is also chairman of the City Council, is of the opinion that there is no vacancy in the local Board of Education, and consequently arrives at the conclusion that the Council cannot be called upon to appoint some one to fill the vacancy caused by the supposed expiration of the term of Huyler Bogert.

At the election on Tuesday Miss Adelaide W. Sterling, Democrat, and Huyler Bogert, Republican, were elected to the Board of Education. As the Council is Democratic it was believed that the tie vote would be settled by the appointment of Miss Sterling. Such action was contemplated at the meeting of the Council to-morrow night.

Englewood became a city a year ago. At that time no limit to the term of school trustee was fixed, but during 1896 an amendment was passed making the term three years. Besides they did not know of this amendment a vacancy was declared and the political parties in the First Ward selected candidates.

Lawyer Vortendyck, counsel for the Council, says the matter will be settled by the courts. Another point to be settled at the same time is whether the Council has the right to serve on the Board of Education, being a woman.

TAX APPEALS COST MONEY.

W. C. T. U. Case in Tuckahoe a Notable Example, Says Major Lentz.

Major Carl Lentz, of Newark, N. J., a member of the State Board of Taxation, yesterday related his experience while performing his duties on Thursday. He said it took the greater part of three days and cost about \$25 in expenses for him to go to Tuckahoe, in Cape May County, to hear the appeal of the local Woman's Christian Temperance Union from the assessment placed upon its hall.

During the hearing was brought out that the hall was regularly rented for entertainments, and the Commissioner inquired of the ladies whether they had been claiming exemption under the law.

A retired army officer, who lives near the hall and objects to the showing of a gospel hymn after his bedtime, was one of the witnesses in regard to the valuation, and when Mrs. Stillman asked him what he would do with the hall, he replied that he would burn it down.

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ALLIANCE COLONY IN NEED.

Farmers Hope to Secure Relief from the Baron Hirsch Fund.

Vinceland, N. J., April 18.—There is great distress in Alliance Colony, a settlement near here, over the threat of Salem County money lenders to foreclose mortgages on the farms there. Farming in South Jersey has been so unprofitable, owing to the extremely low prices of produce, that the average farmer is unable to pay even to interest on his indebtedness. The only hope the farmers have of saving their homes is that of a recently donated of the Baroness de Hirsch.

Alliance Colony was not founded by the Baroness de Hirsch fund, was Woodbine, about eighteen miles south of here, but the inhabitants think they will be helped out of the general fund lately donated by the widow of the Baron.

WILL LEAVE LONG BRANCH.

Rev. Mr. Alexander Has Evidently Accepted a Call to a Harlem Church.

Rev. Matiland Alexander, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Long Branch, N. J., who recently received a call from the Ninety-first Street Church, in Harlem, New York, with a salary of \$4,500, and whose transfer was expected at the meeting of the Presbytery, yesterday handed in his resignation to the Board of Sessions.

Mr. Alexander is a favorite among Long Branch's summer parishioners. His family consists of a wife and three children. He is a brother-in-law of Colonel McCook, who represented this country at the coronation of the Czar. Mr. Alexander is an eloquent speaker.

Aged Elopers Leaves Girl Widow.

Charles J. Jones, fifty-six years old, who eloped with and married sixteen-year-old Bertha Scott, of Pearl River, N. Y., on Jan. 6, died yesterday at his home in New York. Miss Scott took part in a double elopement. At the time they left together Percy Scott, a brother of Jones, and a girl, were also eloped with. The girl, daughter of Philip Snyder, of Pearl River, accompanied them and also got married. Jones was out of work for some time after getting married and had acted queerly ever since. It is said the attending physician did not know what caused his death. Jones's sudden death has caused a flutter of excitement in the village.

Rev. Mr. Vogelin Called.

The congregation of the German Presbyterian Church at Pleasantdale, N. J., has extended a call to the Rev. Mr. Vogelin, of New York, to fill the pulpit recently occupied by the late Rev. David Blumenthal. Mr. Vogelin was highly recommended from the Lexington Avenue German Presbyterian Church of New York.

Teach Boys and Girls to Fence.

Among the many lessons taught in the Orange High School is fencing. This class was recently formed and comprises pupils of both sexes. The school is under the direction of the American and New York Biscuit companies is said to have effected the Newark concern's business disastrously.

HOOS WILL TAKE OFFICE MAY 3.

Jersey City Democrats a Unit on That; Republicans Divided.

WANSER IS ALL AT SE.

He and His Advisers Unable to Form a Plan of Action with "Boss" Dickinson Away.

Edward Hoos, Democratic Mayor-elect of Jersey City, has taken the oath of office and is prepared to assume the duties on May 3 next. He was sworn in Saturday by City Clerk O'Donnell. The Republican Executive Committee, acting upon the advice of Corbin & Corbin, will probably advise Mayor Wanser and other city officials not to surrender their offices to the Democrats on May 3.

Ex-Sheriff Robert Davis, the Democratic leader, says that Mayor Hoos and others elected April 13 will positively take possession of their offices on May 3. He does not anticipate any trouble, but, should the Republicans make any, is prepared to meet it.

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Battle of Bound Brook Monument.

The huge boulder, suitably inscribed, marks the site of the engagement in which on April 13, 1777, five hundred American soldiers, under General Benjamin Lincoln, fought four thousand British troops, under Lord Cornwallis. The monument was dedicated last Tuesday.

The special committee appointed by the Republican Executive Committee to further consult with Corbin & Corbin has not yet got down to work. City Treasurer S. D. Dickinson, the Republican "boss," who is a member of the committee, is at Old Point Comfort, and is not expected back in town before Thursday. Until he returns nothing will probably be done.

The action of the Republicans in claiming that Mayor Wanser should not relinquish office, because the Supreme Court has as yet submitted no final decision on the constitutionality of the term extension bill, meets with disfavor among leading men of the party. Now that the Democrats have won, they say let them have the offices.

The Republican camp at present is much agitated over the matter, and its leaders are all at sea.

LAWYERS CALL CLIENTS NAMES.

Willard's Suit Against Mrs. Meeks Reaches an Unpleasant Stage.

The suit for damages brought by Walter Willard against Mrs. Sarah E. Meeks, which is now pending in the Circuit Court at New Brunswick, N. J., has developed many amusing features in addition to the small income episode described in Saturday's Journal. In court on Saturday much amusement was occasioned by the remarks of the opposing counsel on the appearance of the clients.

Woodbridge Strong, counsel for Mrs. Meeks, called the attention of the jury to the appearance of Willard, saying that his face resembled that of "a bulldog," and that the resemblance did not end there. He like a bulldog, Willard had held on tenaciously to Mrs. Meeks, attempting to ruin her with snails, apple tree boughs and the like.

Willard did not like this allusion to his client, and spoke of Mrs. Meeks as an "apparition," and asked the jury which they most dreaded—a bulldog or an apparition.

Willard wants damages because his view was obstructed by the high fence Mrs. Meeks built to fill the snails, and his tree spoiled by the limbs being cut off. The defense claims that these actions were justifiable, as Willard's snails made incalculable ravages upon the peace of mind of the Meeks family.

The case will be continued on Tuesday.

S. P. C. A. UNTO HERSELF.

Mrs. Day Beats Her Cruel Husband Until He Promises Never to Punish a Horse Again.

"Al" Day, of Downer street, Westfield, N. J., has promised not to beat a horse again. Yesterday afternoon he was beating a refractory horse with a club when his wife came out of the house and commanded him to stop. He paid no attention to her.

Now he is sorry he did not obey, for Mrs. Day took the club away from him and used it on him until he begged for mercy and promised not to beat horses again.

Cracker Company in Trouble.

The Newark Cracker and Biscuit Company is in the hands of the Sheriff, pending the settlement of an attachment in favor of Wilkinson & Co., grocers of Newark. The concern has been in difficulties for some time, and last week an attempt was made to settle with creditors by notes at six, nine, twelve and fifteen months. The proposition was accepted, but afterward James H. Vreeland, secretary and general manager of the company, refused to endorse the notes. Among the creditors of the company are several New York houses. The recent New York case, between the American and New York Biscuit companies is said to have effected the Newark concern's business disastrously.

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